

WELSBACHS DRAW AWAY TO FRONT IN COMMERCIAL LOOP

Close Followers of Race Feel That Eismann's Team is in Front to Stay.

TRANSFER LOSES THREE

Israel Rolls Highest Individual Game When He Spills 137 Pins.

By KIRK C. MILLER.

Welsbachs put a firm foot forward in the direction of the Commercial League pennant when it took a trio of games from the Merchants' Transfer and Storage Company team, cellar champions of the circuit, and the two-game margin which today separates the Fixture Men from the Newspapermen is the advantage by which the former expects to wind up the season. Star and Welsbachs have virtually been at each other's throats for the past two weeks, but as the end of the season draws near, Eismann's lads are drawing away, little by little, and it is the belief that the crisis in the race has been passed, and that Welsbachs will take out a title.

Of course, no member of the Star team is today ready to admit defeat, and the above is not quoted as "gossip," nor should it be taken, but the closest followers of the Commercial League race who have scrutinized the work of the three leading teams, Welsbachs, Stars, and Southerners, are agreed on the probability of the teams finishing in that order. The agreement is reached on a careful study of past performances and a glance at the schedule still to be rolled and it seems that the trio of leaders have just about arrayed themselves in the order in which they will finish.

Ordinarily a two-game margin is easy to overcome, particularly when more than six weeks of the schedule is still to be disposed of, but the contenders have been so closely bunched for the past month that tonight's set which put the Welsbachs two games to the good is taken as the crucial point in the pennant race and today Welsbachs are heralded as the most probable leaders when the season winds up.

Israel made a most valiant effort to pull the Transfer and Storage team out of the hole in the second game when he came through with a brilliant score of 137. It was high game for the night in all of the leagues and his team backed in a similar manner, by the 823 pins, only to be bettered by a total of 539, by Welsbachs.

Whalley put across the fattest score for the winners, his game of 126 in the second round being largely responsible for overcoming the big score contributed by Israel. A single fact concerning the set is that Welsbachs' total in the first and third games was the same, the figures on both occasions being 508.

Troquois came through nicely in the Colonial League and held their own as far as the leaders are concerned. Two games were won from Pilgrims when Waters had high game of 218. He had another nice string of 207 in the fifth game and Field also came through with a 200 score, getting 206 in the middle string.

Virginians were able to keep up their spirit for two games, and the third one went to Puritans. Scores of 892 and 871 won for Virgians in the two openers while Puritans tied the last string by 833 to 774. Williamson, with a total of 221 in the inaugural round, had high individual game.

Crises featured the Postal Savings Inspection match in the Postoffice League by getting high game of 122 and he was followed closely in the matter of scoring individual honors by Pearson who grabbed off a record of 308 for high set. Postal Savings won all three games, about twenty pins having separated the teams in all three games.

Gandils played safe with the Hess & Co. rollers by winning two out of three from the Shoemen. Hagans, of the losers, had high game, 125, it coming in the very first game. Hess & Co. won all three games by the bowlers having rolled up a score of 559 against 528 rolled by Gandils.

Clements and Walker divided individual honors in the Highlands-Inganians set in the first section of the Terminal schedule, but so far it has been unable to roll up to the standard which it established early in the season.

Engineers kept close to second place in the standing of the Reclamation League when Wreckers fell down in two out of three games. Clark leads healthy string of 103 in the second frame while Bebb and Cook tied for high individual set with figures of 102 and 103.

By winning the tie-off in the second game, Car Department registered a 2-1 victory at the expense of the Southern duo which had won the championship in the first section of the Terminal schedule, but so far it has been unable to roll up to the standard which it established early in the season.

Two sets were disposed of in the Carroll Council, R. C. C., Trucking League. Pintas having taken two out of three from Ninan, while Columbus was unmastered a similar defeat in the second. In the latter match, Crowell had high game of 115, while McCarthy and McDonough tied with figures of 102 for the individual honors of the Ninan-Pintas set.

Bowling Schedule For Tonight

Mt. Pleasant-Parks vs. Decatur. National Capital-Brunswick vs. Potomac. Arguers-Kearneys vs. Schoenemans; Burdettes vs. Espeys. Business Men's-Berberich vs. Capitol.

Postoffice-Finance vs. R. M. S. Saengerbund-Schumanns vs. Schuberts.

Terminal Ry. Y. M. C. A.-Store Room vs. Flight.

Araders-Mt. Pleasant vs. Y. M. C. A. Reclamation-Legal vs. Engineering.

Intercouncil-Kearney vs. Washington; Carroll vs. Potomac.

Commercial-Alley-Chevrolet vs. Athletics.

Northeastern-Waverly vs. Navy Yard.

Southeast-Bohemians vs. Anacostia Regulars.

Masonic-King David vs. Mt. Pleasant.

Federal-Franklin vs. National Savings.

Commercial-Pepco vs. Washington Gas.

Pepco-Arc vs. Commercial.

Navy Y. M. C. A. vs. Foundry. District-Goodfellows vs. Resolutes.

Departmental-Land Office vs. Commissioners.

CRONIES' LEAGUE IS LATEST ON ALLEYS

Pop Stickney, Jack Brosnan, Harry Armiger, and C. B. Hunt Are the Promoters.

Much friendly competition has been struck up between four particularly shining lights in the bowling game, they being none other than "Pop" Stickney, Harry Armiger, Jack Brosnan, and Conway B. Hunt, and each afternoon they can be found firing away at the little sticks at the Palace alleys. It is rumored that this quartet is about to form a district league, and it has been suggested that it be named the Cronies' League.

In the first match between the Cronies, "Pop" Stickney and Harry Armiger won all three games from Hunt and Brosnan on the entire set of three rounds but 18 pins separated the teams, the first game being won by 4 pins, the second by 7 pins, and the third by 5 pins. Bad breaks greeted all of the bowlers, and the scores were kept to a medium standard of efficiency. "Pop" Stickney had high game of 107 in the second and third strings. Here are the statistics relating to the first match between the Cronies:

STICKNEYS.			
Stickney	107	107	107
Armiger	190	202	201
HUNTS.			
Hunt	101	90	91
Brosnan	85	106	105

Standing of Leagues.

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Tech Lags Behind In Local School Sports

Manual Trainers Are Not Training Regularly for George Washington Meet, and Will Enter Individually—De Grange Prepares Surprise at Epiphany Gym.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Technical High School, with 900 boys, is virtually without a track team and coach, according to the admission of ex-captain Robert Harrell. On the eve of the big indoor meets the Tech athletes are training here and there without supervision and will enter the G. W. U. meet individually.

After a gallant start under Brailey Gish last season Tech gave promise of developing a formidable track team. With such stars as Harrell, Taylor, Sheehan, Supplee, Gibson, Ochsenreiter, Rooney Tibbott, and others who were counted upon to come through this season, Tech efforts in track have amounted to little so far.

Brailey Gish offered to assume command of the track team this season, if he could be assured of enough coaching lights. All Gish asked was to have the boys come out, and Tech's failure to support the team is a matter of speculation today. After galloping off with the football title, won by the best team that ever represented Tech, was thought that the school, and more particularly the boys, would show interest in track work.

A few setbacks in the shape of poor training conditions, an outdoor track which depended on fair weather and some other disheartening factors lost interest in the game according to Harrell, but there is little or no track team at present. The may enter a number of boys in the meets, but they have done little work this winter.

Tech was expected to make a strong bid for scholastic honors this winter. The team is possessed of a number of athletes who could be whipped into shape in short order if they were disposed to report to Brailey Gish for track work.

Mark de Grange, a former Tech athlete, now in charge of the Epiphany Church gym work, has prepared a pleasant surprise as a feature of the exhibition of the boys in the gym, where the youngsters' parents are to be entertained. De Grange will have two teams of boys in the meets, and the other between the Seniors and the Boys' aggregation.

In addition there will be an exhibition of fancy clown work by Percy S. Oliver, late of the Barnum & Bailey clown troupe, who will appear in a variety of burlesque and other diverting performances which will give the grown-ups a chance to see what is going on in the indoor work.

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Now that the American League baseball season is under way, the action will begin to figure upon the use of the park for some of the baseball dates for the high school championship games. Last year's champion, the Washington team, will be expected to win.

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PHOTOPLAYS AND PHOTOPLAYERS

What Children Want Most To See In The Motion Pictures.

By GARDNER MACK.

Numerous attempts have been made throughout the country recently to discover what the children like best in motion pictures and why they like them at all. Organizations of social service workers, newspapers and individual investigators have participated in these inquiries and some rather interesting data has been secured. It will be remembered that a Washington school teacher, on her own initiative, made an investigation by means of which she discovered the intense interest the children take in the pictures and was converted from an opponent of the film to one of its most enthusiastic advocates by what she found out.

Her advocacy is based on the fact that the pictures offer great opportunity to assist the school teacher, and that it is the duty of the teacher to do everything possible to further this. She found that the character of pictures that seemed most popular could be greatly improved. In fact, the pictures that drew the most comment from her scholars were of a kind she could not recommend. But she realized the possibilities of the film, and is doing her utmost to bring about the improvement.

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FRANCES NELSON. Who has recently become a big popular favorite through her work in Rex pictures with Ben Wilson.

TODAY'S BEST FILMS

By GARDNER MACK.

Alice Wyndham, Sidney Booth and Katharine MacLean in "The Girl and the Wine," produced under the supervision of the National Woman's Suffrage Association, the Colonial, 927 Pennsylvania avenue.

Wallace Reid and Irene Hunt in "On the Ledge" (Relevance), the Niagara, 719 Seventh street.

Loretta Blake and Robert McDermott in "The Sea Boat" (Relevance), the Empire, 915 H street northeast.

Carole Blackwell in "The Last Chapter" (Favorite Players), the Savoy, Fourteenth and Irving streets.

Gladya Hanson in "The Straight Road," from the play by Clyde Fitch, (Favorite Players), the Lyric, Fourteenth and Irving streets.

"St. Elmo," from the novel by Augusta Evans, the Olympic, 1431 You street.

Flora Lee and John Lee in "Her Wedding" (Favorite Players), the Lyric, Fourteenth and Irving streets.

Charles Chaplin and Mabel Normand in "The Paucity of Romance" (Relevance), the Garden, 1231 Ninth street.

Robert DeLeon in "The Girl I Left Behind Me," from the play by May Irwin, the Garden, 1231 Ninth street.

May Irwin in "Mrs. Black in Black" (Favorite Players), the Lyric, Fourteenth and Irving streets.

Ethel Barrymore in "The Nightingale," the Apollo, 624 H street northeast.

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Model Will Show How Rivers Are Measured

By GARDNER MACK.

To show the way in which rivers are measured—that is, how the volume of running streams is measured—by the United States Geological Survey, the exhibit maintained by the survey at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco, will include a display of automatic gauges, run by electricity, which record the fluctuating heights of water of an artificial river—one flowing through a land.

The work of measuring the flow of the streams of the United States every day in the year and some of them several times a day affords an invaluable basis for the study of America's water resources. Upon the data thus obtained engineers depend in working out plans of water power development, irrigation, drainage—in fact, every project in which running water is a factor.

Deer Runs to Garage. ROSS, Cal., Feb. 5.—Exhausted by a long chase by a pack of hounds, a full-grown doe sought safety from her pursuers by rushing into the garage of Percy C. L. Buckner here. There, backed against the wall and every avenue of escape cut off, the frightened animal fought off the pack until Buckner came to her assistance. Buckner made the animal captive and turned her over to the State Fish and Game Commission.

AMUSEMENTS

NATIONAL TONIGHT, 8:15. Met. Saturday. G. M. COHAN'S COMEDY. THE MIRACLE MAN. With the Original New York Cast. NEXT WEEK—SEATS SELLING—THE DISTINGUISHED ACTOR. M. CYRIL MAUDE. "GRUMPY". The Successful Comedy Drama. ELMDORF. 5 Thursdays at 4:30 P. M. Course tickets, \$4, \$3, \$2.50 on sale.

FRIDAY, Feb. 5.—AROUND THE WORLD. MAR. 11—AROUND THE MEDITERRANEAN. MAR. 12—AROUND THE ATLANTIC. MAR. 13—AROUND THE INDIAN OCEAN. MAR. 14—AROUND THE PACIFIC. MAR. 15—AROUND THE UNITED STATES.

AMATO. Baritone from Metropolitan Opera. 1st. 4:30. 2nd. 7:30. 3rd. 10:30. 4th. 1:30. 5th. 4:30. 6th. 7:30. 7th. 10:30. 8th. 1:30. 9th. 4:30. 10th. 7:30. 11th. 10:30. 12th. 1:30. 13th. 4:30. 14th. 7:30. 15th. 10:30. 16th. 1:30. 17th. 4:30. 18th. 7:30. 19th. 10:30. 20th. 1:30. 21st. 4:30. 22nd. 7:30. 23rd. 10:30. 24th. 1:30. 25th. 4:30. 26th. 7:30. 27th. 10:30. 28th. 1:30. 29th. 4:30. 30th. 7:30. 31st. 10:30.

St. Louis Hears Suffragist. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Pethwick Lawrence, well known for her suffrage work in London, is here today to address a mass meeting of St. Louis suffragists. Mrs. Rosina Schwiner, of Budapest, will occupy the same stage, speaking on "War and Women."

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